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In re Application of: ) Art Unit: 1637  
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For: METHOD FOR DETECTING ) Confirmation No. 1863  
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**REPLY: AMENDMENT AND REMARKS**

Customer Window, Mail Stop AF  
Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
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Sir:

Replying to the Office Action mailed September 9 and  
the Advisory Actions mailed November 23 and December 29, 2004,  
please amend as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of  
claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.